

Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	09/162,444	TANAKA ET AL
	Examiner HOA NGUYEN	Group Art Unit 2784

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview Nov 17, 1999

Type: Telephonic Personal (copy is given to applicant applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: Yes No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement was reached. was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: 19, 20, 22, 24-27, and 30

Identification of prior art discussed:

NONE

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

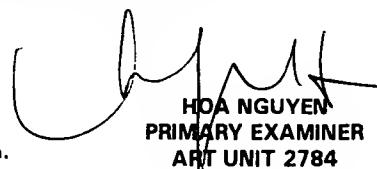
discuss figure 9, element 198, to support the claims rejected in paragraphs 6&7. The examiner asserts that element 198 seems to provide support to overcome the issues raised with respect to claim 2. Page 22 of the specification pointed out as a possibility for support but is not clear in relation to figure 9. Therefore, applicant will review the specification relative to figure 9, element 198. A supplemental amendment & substitute specification will submitted soon.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.


HOA NGUYEN
PRIMARY EXAMINER
ART UNIT 2784

Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.